Application to Employ

STEP 1 Click the <u>Bankruptcy</u> hyperlink on the ECF Main Menu (See figure 1)



- STEP 2 Choose Motions/Applications category.
- STEP 3 Enter case number, click [NEXT]
- STEP 4 Select Employ from drop down list, click [NEXT]
- STEP 5 Joint Filing with Other Attorney(s), place a checkmark in the box for yes and click [NEXT], if no, just click [NEXT]
 - % **Tip** If the joint filer's name is not listed in the pick list, they will need to file a notice of appearance in the case and then their name will appear in the pick list.
- STEP 6 Select the party filing the application; click [NEXT]
 - % **Tip** For example, select the debtor as the "filer" if he or she is seeking to employ an appraiser.
- STEP 7 Click the box if you wish this association to occur. Otherwise click [NEXT].
- The PDF DOCUMENT SELECTION screen displays [Read reminders in RED]
 - 1. Click [**Browse**], then navigate to the directory where the appropriate PDF file is located.
 - 2. To verify that this is the appropriate document, highlight the document name.
 - (1) Right Click with your mouse.
 - (2) Select **open** to view the imaged document.
 - (3) Click **X** in the upper-right corner to exit to image.
 - (4) If correct, double-click the PDF file to select it.
 - 3. Click "Yes" for Attachment
 - 4. Click [Browse], then navigate to the directory where your affidavit of employment is located.

- 5. Under **Type** click on the arrow and pick what your attachment is. In this case, click on Affidavit.
- 6. Click on **Add to List**
- 7. Click [NEXT]
- STEP 9 The CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE prompt appears.

Insert a "y" or "n" in the prompt as to whether certificate of service is attached.

- 7 Tip Use lower case letters only to respond to certificate of service question. If certificate of service (cos) is not attached, filer will receive a 2 day deadline to file the cos. If not filed within 2 days, motion/application will be denied. The better practice is to always file the cos with the underlying document. Instructions for completing the certificate of service are available in this manual.
- STEP 10 Enter the name of the person or firm the applicant wishes to employ, eg. Smith
- Enter the "type of position" the applicant wishes to employ, eg. Appraiser; click [NEXT] to accept all information on this screen.
- STEP 12 Objection deadline will set automatically; click [NEXT]
- STEP 13 Docket text appears; review for accuracy, modify if appropriate; click [NEXT]
 - % **Tip** Text of docket entry <u>cannot</u> be modified from this screen; if modification is necessary, use [BACK] button on your browser.

SAMPLE DOCKET TEXT

Application to Employ Smith Consultants as Appraiser, Filed by Debtor, Jane Doe. Objections to Motion Due: 9/2/2003. (Attachments: # (1) Affidavit) (Batty, Kristen)

- **STEP 14** Final docket text appears; click [NEXT] to submit.
 - % *Tip This is the last opportunity to change information or abort transaction.*
- **STEP 15 Notice of Electronic Filing displays.**